Harijans/Adivasis killed in Bihar

3361. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that large number of Harijans and Adivasis are being killed in Bihar;

(b) if so, the number of persons killed in the years 1983-84, 1984-85, 1985-86 and 1986-87; and

(c) what steps have been taken in this regard?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) and (b) The number fo cases of murder of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes during the years 1983 to 1986 in the State of Bihar is indicated below:-

Year	Scheduled Castes	Scheduled Tribes
1983	71	9
1984	95	10
1985	54	12
1986 (upto March)	13	Nil

(c) The Government of India have issued comprehensive guidelines from time to time for effectively dealing with atrocities against Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes. These guidelines contain precautionary, preventive, punitive and rehabilitative measures.

Containers of different item in odd quantity

3362. SHRI KISHOR MEHTA: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that many items are still allowed to be packed in odd quantities which are basically converted from the British system to Metric system;

(b) whether it is also a fact that mineral water is available in 650 ml. bottles;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor and what steps Government propose to take to make available the items in metric system like mineral water, Jams etc. in the containers of easy multiple; and

(d) by when Government propose to bring some consistency in the kind of packages permitted?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d) The pack sizes permitted under the Standards of Weights and Measures (Packaged Commodities) Rules, 1977 are in metric system and there is an element of consistency in them. However, these are reviewed from time to time in the light of the suggestions received from the States/Union Territories, voluntary consumer organisations and other concerned interests.

Damage notices by DDA to refugees of Ahata Kidara, Sadar Bazar, Delhi

3363. SHRI M. A. BABY: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Delhi Development Authority have issued notices for damages to the refugees of